C O N C O R D I A U N I V E R S I T Y

SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE

M I N U T E S

(of SRC meeting held on Thursday, February 13, 1992 at 10:00 A.M., in Room BC-110, SGW campus)

ATTENDANCE -

Members present:	V. Baba, P. Bird, U. De Brentani, D. Ginter, J.N. Lightstone (Chair), D. Markiewicz, R. Parker, S. Sankar, T.S. Sankar, P. Shizgal, A. Williams, Evelyne Loo (Secretary)
Absent:	E. Doedel, M. Haque, J. Surette, A. Zaidi, C. Zucker

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AND DISTRIBUTED TO SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE

In advance

SRC-02-13-92-D157	Facilitative Processes for the Implementation of the Policy Document entitled "The Enhancement of Research at Concordia University".
SRC-02-13-92-D158	Draft Memo to John Noonan. Re: Enclosed document (SRC-02-13-92-D157) - Facultative Processes for the Implementation of the Policy Document entitled "The Enhancement of Research at Concordia University".
SRC-02-13-92-D159	Draft Memo to John Noonan. Re: Expert Task Force on the Enhancement of University-Wide Research Support Services and Facilities.
SRC-02-13-92-D160	Recommendation that the Senate Establish a University Task Force on the Enhancement of the Research Environment - A position paper prepared for the Senate Research Committee by Professor Donald Ginter.

Dr. Jack N. Lightstone occupied the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

1.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Chair noted that the Minutes for the last meeting had not yet been processed; they will be available at the next meeting. The Agenda was approved by the Committee.

2.0 REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair reported that Senate had approved the changes in degree nomenclature.

3.0 REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR, ORS

A.J. Williams announced that:

- someone from the Mathematics Department had received the Women's Faculty of Science Award.
- according to the second quarter report of research funding, there is an increase of 10% over last year.
- The Seagram Awards will be announced in the very near future.

4.0 Facilitative Processes for the Implementation of the Policy Document entitled "The Enhancement of Research at Concordia University" (SRC-02-13-92-D157)

The Chair reported that there are several changes in the wording:

1. The first two words of the title have been changed to "Facilitative Processes"
2. In recommendation 1 the word "the University" has been changed to "Senate."
3. The wording of the recommendation concerning the budget process to be followed has been tightened up.

Several members voiced their concern on the wordings of certain paragraphs.

4.0 Facilitative Processes for the Implementation of the Policy Document entitled "The Enhancement of Research at Concordia University" (SRC-02-13-92-D157)

In response, Chair remarked, that the SRC's analysis consistently as respresented in the document was founded on three basic observations:

- Research has already been identified as a priority by Senate.
- The document "Enhancement for research.." has been approved.
- The strategies of the latter required (a) more "budget on the table" than is currently the case, and a well-integrated fully consultative planning and budgeting process.

Some minor changes were suggested:

- Page 2, Section III, the title "Guidelines for Implementation ..." should be changed to "Facilitative Processes for the Implementation ...".
- Page 8, the title "Summary: Recommendations" should read "Summary."

The document was approved unanimously.

5.0 DRAFT MEMORANDUM TO J. NOONAN CONTAINING RESOLUTIONS FROM THE SRC THAT SENATE ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO UPGRADE AND INSTITUTE UNIVERSITY WIDE SUPPORT FACILITIES FOR THE PURSUIT OF RESEARCH

RECOMMENDATION THAT THE SENATE ESTABLISH A UNIVERSITY TASK FORCE ON THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT - A POSITION PAPER PREPARED FOR THE SENATE RESEARCH COMMITTEE BY PROFESSOR DONALD GINTER (SRC-02013092-D160).

After an initial discussion it was decided that the appendices to the discussion document by Dr. Ginter would not be submitted with the body of the document to Senate. Rather, the titles of the appendices would be used as the basis for a list of examples of what the task force might consider.

The draft memorandum to J. Noonan -- with its resolutions -- was unanimously approved.

6.0 THE DEVELOPMENT OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR DEALING WITH ALLEGATIONS OF BREACHES OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY.

The Committee were not able to discuss this document due to lack of time, however it will be brought forward at the next SRC Meeting.

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8.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 1992 at 10:00 a.m. in BC-110.

9.0 Adjournment

The Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 a.m.